

Information Sheet

Self-Employment Support Services for Women Newcomers

Organization	Description	Website
ACCES Employment	START Customer Care Careers for Immigrant Women is a 9-week program which prepares immigrant women to obtain employment or pursue additional training in Customer Service in the Financial Services, Business Services or Tourism sectors.	http://goo.gl/ZweuGb
Centre for Immigrant & Community Services	This Centre empowers newcomers in settling and integrating as contributing members of Canadian society. The various services provided to women include: South Asian Women Club, Women's Support Group and Women Council.	http://goo.gl/eUyH40
Community Outreach	The Enhanced Language Training for Immigrant Women program aims to assist immigrant women improve their business English skills and gain hands-on work experience in their professional field.	http://goo.gl/QAW1Gc
Community MicroSkills Development Centre	This Centre recognizes the barriers that immigrants and women face in their efforts towards self-sufficiency. The MicroSkills Women Services program helps women achieve self-reliance, self-determination, and improve their career and life opportunities.	http://www.microskills.ca/women-services/
COSTI Immigrant Services	The Immigrant Women's Life Skills Workshops program provides life skills training to immigrant women from a variety of communities who face barriers to active participation in Canadian society and labour market.	http://goo.gl/UMWeWt
Elspeth Heyworth Centre for Women	The Elspeth Heyworth Centre for Women provides newcomers, immigrant and refugee women and their families' job search support services, newcomer settlement services and counselling services and workshops at various locations.	http://goo.gl/NziObA
Enhanced Language Training (ELT) for Immigrant Women	This program's aim is to assist newcomer women to improve their language skills for the workplace and to gain Canadian experience. It focuses on: Administration and Customer Service, IT, Sales and Marketing, Engineering, Accounting, Financial Services and Hospitality.	http://goo.gl/hBQfXR
Institute of Leadership for Women of Ontario	ILFO is dedicated in providing educational services to immigrant women and aims to improve their lives. The services include: counselling, language instruction, employment training, job search programs and information programs on Canadian culture and life.	http://www.ilfo.ca/
Newcomer Women's Services Toronto	The Newcomer Women's Services offers language skills, training employment programs and settlement services to newcomer women and their families. It offers opportunities for self-employment through serving recycled and repurposed clothing.	http://newcomerwomen.org/features.html
North York Women's Centre	North York Women's Centre offers support, information and referrals to community-based services. The Centre provides women with skills development programs promoting empowerment and self-confidence.	http://nywc.org/ongoing-services/
Opportunity for Advancement	Women's Employment Development Program helps women with nominal involvement in the workforce to learn the skills they need in achieving their employment. This program also deals with decision making, job search techniques, labour market research and action planning.	http://ofacan.com/programs/
Reh'ma Community Services	Reh'ma Community Services assists to empower newcomers and women through education, referral services and community involvement. Reh'ma House of Foods program supports immigrant women whom are unable to find employment due to education and language barriers.	http://www.rehma-cs.org/women.html
Rexdale Women's Centre	The Rexdale Women's Centre offers immigrant settlement and orientation services in 20 different languages at various locations throughout Rexdale and City of Toronto. The services include: orientation, referrals to community resources, employment services and interpretation.	http://goo.gl/qnihYU
Riverdale Immigrant Women's Centre	RIWC's mandate is to support Chinese speaking and South Asian women and their families in taking greater control of their lives. It's a multilingual agency with more than 25 years of experience in delivering settlement, language training and employment services for newcomers.	http://www.riwc.ca/
Skills for Change	The Immigrant Women in Leadership program seeks to support the ways in which immigrant women can participate in their workplaces and communities as leaders. It promotes a leadership process of improving the quality of life and employment outcomes for immigrant women.	http://skillsforchange.org/women/

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South Asian Women's Centre	The South Asian Women's Centre provides settlement services such as: information and referral, translation, interpretation and advocacy for South Asian Women of all backgrounds and ages.	http://goo.gl/DII0BN
Springtide Resources	The Immigrant and Refugee Women Connecting for Change Program (IRWP) are responsible for developing educational materials, training opportunities, and community partnerships, especially in ethno-specific communities	http://goo.gl/A7XeqP
Times Change Women's Employment Service	The Times Change Women's Employment Service offers career and educational counseling, a variety of computer services and a resource center. Times Change contributes to the economic and social equality of women by helping them find ways to earn their living.	http://www.timeschange.org/index.html
Toronto Centre for Community Learning & Development	The Immigrant Women Integration Program (IWIP) offers immigrant women a leadership development opportunity to prepare for work or for volunteering in the social service and community-based sector. This is a one-year intensive program includes 25 hours per week of in class learning and a three-month internship placement.	http://goo.gl/U30skq
Vietnamese Women's Association of Toronto	The Vietnamese Women's Association of Toronto is committed to advancing education, providing supportive counselling, promoting healthy living, and encouraging integration for newcomer communities. The VWAT Family Services offers settlement services such as interpretation, referrals and assistance with forms.	http://www.vwat.org/
Working Women Community Centre	Working Women is a charitable organization that provides settlement, employment and women's support group services, which help immigrant women adjust to living in Toronto. Working Women encourages women to participate in variety of programs.	http://www.workingwomencc.org/programs-services/
WoodGreen Community Services	Homeward Bound Residential Women's Employment Program is an innovative program of wrap-around services to help single mothers and their children move from homelessness and poverty to successful careers and self-sufficiency.	http://goo.gl/BaxjJ
Working Skills Centre	The Working Skills Centre is an innovative organization that empowers immigrants, primarily women. Their services include: language improvement courses, settlement services, career counselling and job search to aid immigrants in moving along the Track to Employment.	http://goo.gl/fft6RR
YWCA Toronto	YWCA JUMP is a support program for women and girls new to Canada over 13 years of age who are permanent resident or convention refugees. The program helps women explore career options, build skills, search for jobs and integrate into Canadian society.	https://goo.gl/YG09uW

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